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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION OF \$20,000 TO PURCHASE
ANIMAL CRUELTY EVIDENCE COLLECTION KITS FROM
THE ANNENBERG FOUNDATION**

SUBJECT

Request approval to accept a donation of \$20,000 to purchase animal cruelty evidence collection kits from the Annenberg Foundation.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Accept the donation of \$20,000 to purchase animal cruelty evidence kits for the Department to use in fulfilling its mission of investigation cases of animal abuse and neglect.
2. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to prepare and send a letter to the Annenberg Foundation expressing the Board's appreciation for their generous donation.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Department is pleased to inform your Board that it recently received the offer of a donation of \$20,000 from the Annenberg Foundation to purchase animal cruelty investigation evidence kits. This offer is enclosed. This donation will be used to enhance the Department's ability to collect and process evidence of crimes against animals.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of the donated products to the Department will support the organizational goal of service excellence (Goal 1) by enhancing the Department's resources in collecting and preserving

evidence of animal cruelty and neglect. This supports the public interest of protecting animals from abuse and supporting prosecutorial efforts to hold animal abusers accountable for their actions through the criminal justice system.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The Department will procure and arrange for the delivery of the supplies for the evidence kits. All items will be purchased with the donated funds provided for under this gift. The recommended action will not result in any additional cost to the Department.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Government Code Section 25355 permits the County to accept donations or other gifts for a specific County purpose. Section 2.4.2 of the County Fiscal Manual authorizes County departments to accept donations in excess of \$10,000 with Board approval.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The donation of money to purchase animal cruelty evidence collection kits will enhance the Department's ability to collect, protect, and process evidence of crimes against animals. This will support the Department's goals of protecting animals and the public interest in providing for the successful prosecution of people who abuse animals. By collecting and preserving evidence in accordance with scientifically accepted evidence collection methodologies, the Department will be better able to support prosecutorial efforts by providing hard evidence to support the criminal charges. Cruelty to animals is often a precursor to violence against people. Successful evidence collection of these crimes will further the County's goal of ensuring public safety.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Animal Care and Control.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light yellow background. The signature is cursive and appears to read "M Mayeda".

MARCIA MAYEDA

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office
County Counsel
Executive Office

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April 12, 2013

Ms. Marcia Mayeda
Director
Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care & Control
5898 Cherry Avenue
Long Beach, CA 90805

Dear Ms. Mayeda:

At the request of Wallis Annenberg, Chairman of the Board, President, and CEO of the Annenberg Foundation, I am writing to inform you of the Foundation's intent to execute a two-year grant for \$20,000 to the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care & Control ("Department") for the purchase of evidence kits to be placed in Department vehicles.

The Foundation understands that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors must approve this intended use of funds, and is providing this letter to confirm its support to the Department for this project.

The Foundation commends the Department and its dedication to promoting and protecting public safety and animal care through sheltering, pet placement programs, education, and animal law enforcement. Moreover, we understand that this project furthers the mission, goals and objectives of the Department, consistent with and in furtherance of charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes.

With best wishes,



Leonard J. Aube
Executive Director

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